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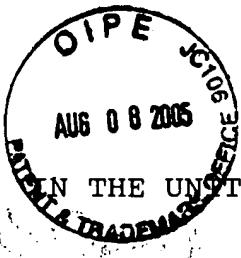
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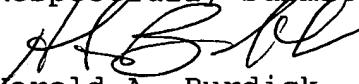
Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for the last decision of the Examiner in the Final Office Action of April 6, 2005, (the period for response to which has been extended by request and fee submitted herewith). The appealed claims are claims 1 through 20.

Applicant continues to qualify for small entity treatment under 37 CFR 1.27. Our check no. 5703 in the amount of \$310.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for filing this Notice (\$250.00) and the extension fee (\$60.00 for one month, extending the response period from July 6,

2005 to August 6, 2005).

The undersigned is attorney of record for this  
Application.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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